

**GOOD SHORT; CONDEMNED  
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BERLIN, April 28.—The "gallows meal" has been abolished in Saxony, according to a Dresden telegram re-

ceived here recently. It is stated that owing to a shortage of food supplies the Saxon Minister of Justice is unable to continue the custom, which has been in force for more than a hundred years, of providing criminals with a luxurious dinner on the night before their execution.

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And now, after these years of ceaseless effort, victory is in sight. President Harding has expressed himself in favor of a Department of Public Welfare. He has asked Congress to consider favorably legislation for such a department. And he has again asked that the Maternity Bill be passed so that motherhood may be given the consideration that so incredibly has been denied it.

Good Housekeeping has placed the entire weight of its reading public and all the influence they exerted in support of this bill. It realizes, therefore, after the most studied deliberation, just what this piece of legislation will mean to the future of America.

It is, perhaps, only as part of the evolutionary process that a Department of Public Welfare will be introduced into the United States Government. But it is no accident that women have contributed the greatest single force to bring such a department into public discussion when the councils of the nation are so enormously preoccupied with international readjustments, labor difficulties, and other domestic problems of profoundest gravity.

We congratulate President Harding for the vision that he is thus displaying.

And we congratulate the women of America for the great part they play in that same vision.

**GOOD HOUSEKEEPING**

A MAGAZINE DEVOTED TO THE SERVICE OF THE AMERICAN WOMAN

**D'ANNUNZIO SEEN IN  
OVERTHROW COUP**

Poet Believed to Have Turned  
Down Office With Leadership  
of Republic in View.

ROME, April 28.—Is a "Republic of Italy" the latest dream of Gabriele d'Annunzio and does he aspire to be its first President?

There are increasing signs that such is the case. The poet-warrior's attitude toward Italian national life, and particularly toward the national elections, is regarded as having all the earmarks of far-reaching ambitions on his part.

**REFUSES TO BE CANDIDATE.**

He has refused to stand as a candidate in the elections at Zara and in other districts where he could have been easily elected. The general impression is that he is "out for bigger game."

Nor has he lost in popularity. On the contrary, support is steadily coming to him from quarters formerly hostile to his policies.

At the celebration of the birthday of Rome, for instance, Fascisti (conservatives), and nationalists, joined his own followers in cheering d'Annunzio's "republic," and there were even shouts expressing the wish that he enter the Quirinal palace.

In reply to a telegram from Trieste veterans, the poet wrote that "Parliament shall be destroyed, the Rappallo treaty with Jugo-Slavia shall be canceled and Italy's constitution shall be made the same as that which I gave to Fiume."

**GOVERNMENT WATCHES CLOSELY.** This is only a part of a well-defined movement launched by d'Annunzio to win the support of the "common people," as well as of the Fascisti and Nationalists.

It is a movement that is looked

upon with unconcealed misgivings in military and political circles, and the government is known to be watching it closely.

D'Annunzio, ostensibly living in "retirement" at his villa in Garda, is really in constant touch with his officers at Fiume, who in turn are now allied with the Fascisti leaders in the principal cities of Italy, including Rome.

**Introducing Our New Senators**

For years Senator Ladd has been president of the North Dakota Agricultural College. He is said to belong to enough chemical, agricultural and scientific societies to fill several pages of the Congressional directory.

Like former Senator Gronna, Senator Ladd is a fighter. He is a staunch believer in the application of certain economic and industrial principles to Government. He is as friendly with organized labor as he is with the farmer. He favors co-operative buying and selling. Another Senator Gronna? Surely—and then some.

**Edwin Fremont Ladd**  
(Republican)

Distinguished Scientist and Agricultural Expert Now U. S. Senator from North Dakota, Succeeding Mr. Gronna.

Meet an agricultural expert of international fame, Edwin Fremont Ladd, of North Dakota, who replaces Asle J. Gronna as United States Senator from North Dakota.

He promises to be an exception to the average run of Senators. Distinguished as a chemist as a college professor, he is a friend of the farmer. He has fought for pure food and pure paint laws until he has been plastered with libel and injunction suits by the corporations whose emmity he has incurred by his (to them) pestiferous advocacy of social and economic reforms and panaceas. Although he ran for the Senate on a Republican ticket, he has the unqualified support of the Non-Partisan League.

**OPERA ARTISTS GIVE  
VIRILE "LA TOSCA"**

Puccini's Masterpiece Charms in  
Able Hands of San Carlo  
Company.

Warmly colored, vitally human, broadly dramatic—this was the production by the San Carlo Opera Company of Puccini's masterly "La Tosca" last night at Poli's Theater.

In the hands of a cast of unusual excellence the great tragedy lost nothing of the composer's broad touch and virility of emotion.

Louise Taylor made a thrilling figure of the jealous singer, fired with jealousy at first, self-sacrificing in her love later. Her interpretation of the powerful second act was a thing to be remembered. At the close of the "Vissi d'arte" she was accorded an ovation.

Mario Cavaradossi, the painter, whose high resolve leads him unflinchingly to torture and to death before a firing squad, was a noble characterization by Giuseppe Agostini. He was in wonderful voice last night, and his despairing cry to the stars as he prepared for death was the finest portion of the score.

Giuseppe Montanelli was the ruthless Scarpia, suave, cunning, forceful. His characterization bore the true artistic stamp, and his full, rich baritone was very effective in Puccini's music.

Natale Cervi was a whimsical figure as the old Sacristan in the first act. Pietro de Biasi, as Cesare Angelotti, the escaped prisoner, made one regret that the part gave so little scope for his voice.

Other members of the well-balanced cast were Amedeo Baldi as Spoletta, the craven police agent; Manuel Perez as the gendarme, Sclaroni; Pietro Canova effective as the jailer; and May Barron, the shepherd boy.

The San Carlo forces will give Martha, Plotow's tuneful comedy, as the matinee work this afternoon and those inseparable operatic twins, Cavalleria Rusticana and I Pagliacci, tonight.

**LONDON STUDENTS SET  
UP CLASSROOM SOVIET**

LONDON, April 28.—Among the astonishing medley of new theories being attempted at English schools is a sort of setting up of a soviet in the class. In the educational school the boys and girls are instructed to decide for themselves just how they shall be marked by their master and how and what they shall study. More than this, they are at liberty to criticize their master. The argument is that all children are likely to obey rules of their own making. It is said the girls take more kindly than boys to the new idea.

**New Born in Suit.**

NORTH ADAMS, Mass., April 28.—A child born three weeks ago is made one of the plaintiffs in a divorce case entered in the local court against Dominik Jammello. The case against Jammello has been before the court for some time, and the new child, who was born March 8, has now been added to one of the children the complaint alleges he failed to support.

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